

The assistant legislative clerk read as follows:

The Senator from Nevada [Mr. REID], proposes an amendment numbered 4501 to amendment No. 4500.

Mr. REID. I ask that reading of the amendment be dispensed with.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

The amendment is as follows:

At the end of the amendment, insert the following:

The provisions of this Act shall become effective 10 days after enactment.

AMENDMENT NO. 4502

Mr. REID. I have an amendment at the desk to the language proposed to be stricken.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will report.

The assistant legislative clerk read as follows:

The Senator from Nevada [Mr. REID] proposes an amendment, No. 4502, to the language proposed to be stricken by amendment No. 4499.

Mr. REID. I ask that the reading of the amendment be waived.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

The amendment is as follows:

At the end of the language proposed to be stricken, insert the following:

This section shall become effective 5 days after enactment.

Mr. REID. I ask for the yeas and nays.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Is there a sufficient second?

There is a sufficient second.

The yeas and nays were ordered.

AMENDMENT NO. 4503 TO AMENDMENT NO. 4502

Mr. REID. I now have a second-degree amendment at the desk.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will report.

The assistant legislative clerk read as follows:

The Senator from Nevada [Mr. REID] proposes an amendment numbered 4503 to amendment No. 4502.

Mr. REID. I ask that further reading of the amendment be dispensed with.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

The amendment is as follows:

In the amendment, strike "5" and insert "4".

CLOTURE MOTIONS

Mr. REID. Mr. President, I have three cloture motions at the desk. I ask that they be stated.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The cloture motions having been presented under rule XXII, the Chair directs the clerk to read the motions.

The assistant legislative clerk read as follows:

CLOTURE MOTION

We, the undersigned Senators, in accordance with the provisions of rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, hereby move to bring to a close debate on the LeMieux-Landrieu et al. amendment No. 4500 to the Reid-Baucus substitute amendment No. 4499 to H.R. 5297, the Small Business Lending Fund Act of 2010.

Harry Reid, Mary L. Landrieu, Sheldon Whitehouse, Byron L. Dorgan, Roland

W. Burris, Richard J. Durbin, John D. Rockefeller, IV, Robert Menendez, Carl Levin, Daniel K. Akaka, Debbie Stabenow, Patty Murray, Jack Reed, Maria Cantwell, Dianne Feinstein, Daniel K. Inouye, Bernard Sanders.

CLOTURE MOTION

We, the undersigned Senators, in accordance with the provisions of rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, hereby move to bring to a close debate on the Reid-Baucus substitute amendment No. 4499 to H.R. 5297, the Small Business Lending Fund Act of 2010.

Harry Reid, Max Baucus, Mary L. Landrieu, Tom Harkin, Christopher J. Dodd, Patrick J. Leahy, Bill Nelson, Richard J. Durbin, Charles E. Schumer, Al Franken, Patty Murray, Benjamin L. Cardin, Jack Reed, Roland W. Burris, Dianne Feinstein, Mark Begich, Amy Klobuchar, Byron L. Dorgan.

CLOTURE MOTION

We, the undersigned Senators, in accordance with the provisions of rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, hereby move to bring to a close debate on H.R. 5297, the Small Business Lending Fund Act of 2010.

Harry Reid, Max Baucus, Mary L. Landrieu, Tom Harkin, Christopher J. Dodd, Patrick J. Leahy, Bill Nelson, Richard J. Durbin, Charles E. Schumer, Al Franken, Patty Murray, Benjamin L. Cardin, Jack Reed, Roland W. Burris, Dianne Feinstein, Mark Begich, Amy Klobuchar, Byron L. Dorgan.

Mr. REID. Mr. President, there have been three cloture motions stated. I ask consent that the mandatory quorums be waived with respect to these motions.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

MOTION TO COMMIT WITH AMENDMENT NO. 4504

Mr. REID. Mr. President, I have a motion to commit with instructions at the desk. I ask that it be stated.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will report the motion.

The assistant legislative clerk read as follows:

The Senator from Nevada [Mr. REID] moves to commit the bill to the Finance Committee with instructions to report back forthwith with an amendment numbered 4504.

The amendment is as follows:

At the end, insert the following:

The Finance Committee is requested to study the impact of changes to the system whereby small business entities are provided with opportunities for access to capital.

Mr. REID. I ask for the yeas and nays.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Is there a sufficient second?

There appears to be a sufficient second.

The yeas and nays were ordered.

AMENDMENT NO. 4505

Mr. REID. Mr. President, I have an amendment to the instructions at the desk.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will report.

The assistant legislative clerk read as follows:

The Senator from Nevada [Mr. REID] proposes an amendment numbered 4505 to the instructions of the motion to commit.

The amendment is as follows:

At the end insert the following:

"and the economic impact on local communities served by small businesses,".

Mr. REID. I ask for the yeas and nays.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Is there a sufficient second?

There appears to be a sufficient second.

The yeas and nays were ordered.

AMENDMENT NO. 4506 TO AMENDMENT NO. 4505

Mr. REID. I have a second-degree amendment at the desk.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will report.

The assistant legislative clerk read as follows:

The Senator from Nevada [Mr. REID] proposes an amendment numbered 4506 to amendment No. 4505.

The amendment is as follows:

At the end, insert the following:

"and its impact on state and local governments."

Mr. REID. I wish to express my appreciation for everyone's patience to get to the point where we are. Especially, I wish to express my appreciation to Senator LANDRIEU, who has worked tirelessly since Friday coming up with this. I support what she is doing. I am grateful for all her hard work.

I hope tomorrow we can work our way through these issues. I will tell everyone here that we are going to finish this small business jobs bill, with a little luck, in the next few days. We could do it tomorrow if we were able to advance the time.

We also have the supplemental appropriations bill, which is very important. We got that bill from the House. It has a lot of things on it, every one of which I support. But in my conversations with the Republican leader, he believes his caucus will not support most of the stuff that is on there.

So we are going to have a cloture vote on that at the earliest possible date. That is a message from the House. We could dispose of this also in the next 24 to 48 hours. So it is up to us how we work these out. I think we have heard enough of what we need to do in the next little bit. But we only have 2 or 3 weeks left after Friday. So we have a lot to do.

MORNING BUSINESS

Mr. REID. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that we proceed to a period of morning business.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

KISSES FOR OUR TROOPS

Mr. LEAHY. Mr. President, I am honored to share a Vermont community's tribute to the stout hearts and brave souls of the service men and women serving overseas.

This year, in recognition of Vermont's largest military deployment since World War II, the townspeople of